

June 15, 2015

A regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Village of Arthur, Illinois, was held on Monday, June 15, 2015, in the Village Board Room. Village President Matt Bernius called the meeting to order at 7:00pm. Roll call was answered by Trustees Terry Clark, JD Kuhns, Dave Tiffan, and James Aikman. Trustees Paul Pearce and James Aikman arrived after roll call. Trustee Karen Good was absent.

Approval of Previous meeting minutes

The regular meeting minutes, Executive Session meeting minutes, and the Street & Alley / Water & Sewer meeting minutes of June 1, 2015, were approved as presented.

Approve Expenditures

- T. Clark made a motion to approve expenditures in the amount of \$76,513.27. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

Village President Comments and Announcements

- President Bernius traveled to Charleston with Mark Jones and Tim Singer for a WEIU-TV interview regarding the Freedom Celebration. It will air on July 3.
- There will be a special meeting next Monday regarding the dog issue and about some public works building items at 7pm. There will be a tour of Gunny Sack building at 6pm.

Trustees' Reports

- D. Tiffan was approached about vehicles parked on sidewalks. Children want to ride their bicycles and tricycles on the sidewalks.
- T. Clark commented about the rain and the water receding relatively quickly on Sunday.

Police Chief's Report

- Police Chief Mike Goodman is waiting for a response from Barbeck's about the emergency sirens. The fire house wasn't able to fire the sirens. Mike asked Barbeck's to look into some different options for repairing them.
- Elliott Tinnon has transitioned to the Police Department. He starts the Academy on June 28. He passed the physical pre-test.
- He has not heard about when the new squad car will be received.

Public Works Supervisor's Report

- Supervisor Grant Corum reported on some completed concrete work and set-up and tear down for Strawberry Jam.
- Pipes from Ash Street from the Grade School to Route 133 were jetted. The ditch needs to be cleaned out.
- Two-inch thick insulation panels for the new building were installed by Village employees.
- He reported on additional service leaks.
- Mosquito fogging was completed on June 11; it will be completed again a few days before fireworks.
- New fireworks banners courtesy of the Rotary Club have been hung downtown.

Village Attorney's Report

- No report

Visitors' Comments

Visitors present were Reg Ankrom from SIMEC and Rob Fustin.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- E. Carter presented information regarding the review and certification of an advisory petition presented by electors. She will sign certification, and the Board needs to pass a Resolution. The Resolution number will be 06-15A-15. Costs associated will include a

publication fee and attorney research fees, approximately 3 hours. There was discussion about the timing of petition; the Board is not prepared to make any decision at this time. It will be presented on the next election; the question will be verbatim as to what was on the petition. T. Clark asked for an itemized breakdown of the costs for this. D. Tiffan made a motion to accept the resolution. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.

- President Bernius tabled discussion and action on items for the Public Works building.
- G. Corum presented information regarding a change order for the Public Works building. While digging the footings, they found bad soil. There was extra time to clean that up and put in filler for \$2,028. J. Kuhns made a motion to approve change order #1; P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius and Deputy Clerk Erica Carter reviewed how a Village of Arthur Facebook page could be used. There have been issues lately that could be communicated in that manner. A use policy will be need to be developed, and it will have to meet FOIA requirements. A review process might need to be put in place for posts. T. Clark made a motion to proceed with development of a policy for entering into social media strategy and a Village of Arthur Facebook page. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- E. Carter reviewed the parade route for the Freedom Celebration parade; it's the same as last year. T. Clark moved to approve the parade route as submitted. P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- E. Carter presented a request from the Vine Street Christian Church for closing the ½ block of West Park between the alley and Vine Street for their "Movies Under the Stars." The dates are July 17, July 31, and August 14. The rain date is the following Saturday. P. Pearce made a motion to block off the street as presented. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- R. Ankrom made a presentation regarding electrical aggregation, how it works, and his company. A consulting services agreement with Southern Illinois Municipal Electrical Company, an ordinance approving a contract with SIMEC as a consultant for the electric aggregation program, and a resolution authorizing agreement with the lowest responsible bidder for electricity supply would need to be passed, and President Bernius would have to be given authorization to make a decision on rates when the time comes as the decision has to be made within a few hours. There was a discussion about the schedule of fees; there is an opt-out clause.
- T. Clark made a motion to enter into a consulting services agreement with Southern Illinois Municipal Electric Company as presented. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- T. Clark made a motion to approve an ordinance approving a contract with SIMEC as the consultant for our electric aggregation program. D. Tiffan seconded. K. Crossman has not fully reviewed the agreement but said everything looked in order. P. Pearce asked for an exhibit of fees be attached. After discussion, action on the other documents will be forwarded to the next meetings to allow Crossman Law Office to review further. T. Clark rescinded the motion. P. Pearce seconded the motion rescension. All Trustees voted YEA.
- President Bernius tabled action on a resolution authorizing agreement with the lowest responsible bidder for electricity supply.
- K. Crossman presented information regarding the prevailing wage ordinance. The ordinance number will be 06-15A-15. T. Clark made a motion to approve the prevailing wage ordinance as required. D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- K. Crossman reviewed the closed Executive Session minutes that can be opened since action has been taken. Collective bargaining and water plant discussions will remain closed. When action is taken in either of the matters still closed, they can be opened. The ordinance number will be 06-15B-15. T. Clark made a motion to open Executive Session minutes and tapes as presented. J. Kuhns seconded. All Trustees voted YEA.
- J. Kuhns made a motion to enter Executive Session; P. Pearce seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. This Executive Session was regarding personnel. Executive Session (5ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Roll call was answered by T. Clark, P. Pearce, J. Kuhns, and D. Tiffan.

- J. Kuhns made a motion to enter Executive Session; D. Tiffan seconded. All Trustees voted YEA. This Executive Session was regarding the collective bargaining unit. Executive Session (5ILCS 120/2(c)(2)) Collective negotiating matters between the public body and its employees or their representative, or deliberations concerning salary schedules for one or more classes of employees.
- President Bernius re-opened the meeting. Roll call was answered by T. Clark, P. Pearce, J. Kuhns, D. Tiffan and J. Aikman.

President Bernius reminded everyone about the special meeting.

He asked Trustees if they had a preference of concrete versus asphalt in front of the Gunny Sack building.

He reminded the Board that the annual Association dinner is tomorrow night.

President Bernius stated he didn't know the status of the code book revision.

Adjourn

President Bernius adjourned the meeting at 8:44pm.

APPROVED

R. P. Matt Bernius
Village President

ATTEST

Jennifer M. Perrine
Village Clerk

DATE

July 6, 2015